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WILL DECORATE M'COY FOR NICARAGUAN WORK

Hurley to Give First Oak Leaf Cluster Awarded by Army to Major General Today.

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WASHINGTON, March 17.—The Oak Leaf Cluster for the Distinguished Service Medal, the first to be awarded by the War Department, will be presented by Secretary Hurley tomorrow to Major Gen. Frank R. McCoy, Commander of the Fourth Corps Area, with headquarters at Atlanta, in recognition of his services in Nicaragua during the election of 1928.

The award, it was stated, indicates services worthy of a second award of the Distinguished Service Medal, which was given to General McCoy for his services during the World War when he was with the American General Staff and commanded units in the Forty-second Division.

The citation which will be read at the presentation tomorrow is in part as follows:

"For exceptionally meritorious and distinguished services. As personal representative of the President in Nicaragua and chairman of the electoral board during 1927 and 1928, General McCoy combined to a marked degree the qualities of diplomat and soldier and displayed excellent and sound judgment in a position of great responsibility, conducting a difficult mission with fairness, justice and tact, thereby commanding the respect of all factions, the acceptance by all political parties of the results of the election and the free expression of the Nicaraguan people. In connection with our relations with Latin America, this outstanding achievement of General McCoy in the face of seemingly insurmountable obstacles has brought great credit to himself and to the army of the United States."